

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully extends his deep appreciation to the examiner for the recognition that the newly submitted claims 13-25 contain patentable subject matter. Accordingly, claims 13-17 have been unaltered, except for a minor grammatical correction in claim 15. Minor corrections have been made to claims 20 and 22 as well.

Claim 18 has been amended to depend from claim 17, thereby placing claim 18 in condition for allowability.

Claims 23-25 have been combined into a single claim 23 which is now believed to be allowable inasmuch as claim 25 was objected to by the examiner but is otherwise considered to be allowable.

It should be noted that by amending the claims as shown, the applicant does not intend to waive any of his rights to continue to seek broader protection by suitable means such as the filing of one or more continuing applications upon allowance of this application.

In the event that the examiner concurs that all of the claims as now worded contain allowable subject matter, he/she is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned by email or by phone in order to resolve any remaining details that may be impeding the issuance of a notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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